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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered into the application:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as indicated. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made".

Please delete pages 1 – 51 of the sequence listing and replace with pages 1 – 57 of the substitute sequence listing submitted herewith.

On page 1, after the Title and prior to the first full paragraph, please add the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation-in-part application of International Application Serial No. PCT/JP01/03288, filed April 17, 2001.

Page 81, please replace the paragraph beginning on line 5 and ending on line 16 with the following: